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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) An apparatus for displaying a work of art, comprising:

at least two hook mounting means operatively arranged to be fixedly secured to a wall structure;

a rod operatively arranged to be suspended within said at least two hook mounting means at a fixed distance away from said wall structure;

at least two ring attachment means operatively arranged to slidably and rotatably engage said rod, each of said at least two ring means operatively arranged to suspending a wire means therefrom;

at least two wire means, each of said at least two wire means comprising an upper loop and a lower loop connected by a wire member, each of said at least two wire members being equal in length, said at least two wire means operatively arranged to be suspended from said at least two ring means by said upper loops; and,

at least one frame comprising at least two attachment means, said frame operatively arranged to be suspended from said lower loops by said at least two attachment means.

14. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said wire means comprises a member selected from the group consisting of monofilament wire, cable, rope, string and chain.

15. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said frame comprises at least two translucent surfaces.

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16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said frame comprises at least two transparent surfaces.

17. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15 wherein said at least two translucent surfaces are secured to one another by said attachment means.

18. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 16 wherein said at least two transparent surfaces are secured to one another by said attachment means.

19. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 comprising at least two frames.

20. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein one of said at least two frames is suspended from said rod means via a first set of at least two wire means and a second frame is suspended from a second set of at least two wire means; each wire means of said first set having a first length and defining a first distance therebetween, each wire means of said second set having a second length and a second distance therebetween, said second length and said second distance shorter than said first length and said first distance such that said second frame is suspended above said first frame.

21. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein one of said at least two frames is suspended from the other.

22. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein said at least two frames are oriented horizontally adjacent with respect one another.

23. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 comprising at least three frames wherein two of said three frames are oriented in vertical relationship with respect to one another and two of said three frames are oriented in horizontal adjacent relationship with respect to one another.